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Two men, one eighty years old and one ninety years old, who live in an institution near Washington, had a quarrel that developed into a fist fight. The eighty-year-old pugilist won. Later he was boasting of his prowess. "He said I couldn't lick him!" exclaimed the successful fighter. "God darn his skin, I could have licked him if he had been a hundred years old!"—Saturday Evening Post.

Impressive "I."

"A public man should endeavor to impress his meaning in as simple and direct a fashion as possible. He should make a practice of using words of one syllable." "I go further than that," replied the energetic statesman. "I depend almost entirely on the brief and beautiful word of one letter."

LATEST NEWS FROM FOREIGN CAPITOLS



Family of Dr. Sun Yat Sen; left to right: Miss Sun On, Miss Sun Yuen, Sun Fo and Mrs. Sun Fo.

For the purpose of completing his education at the University of California, Sun Fo, son of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, first provisional president of the Chinese republic and father of the revolt which resulted in the overthrow of the empire, has arrived in San Francisco, accompanied by his bride of two weeks and two young sisters. Sun Fo, who is twenty-one

years old and Mrs. Sun Fo, two years her husband's junior, will both become students at Berkeley. The two younger children—Miss Sun Yuen, seventeen years old, and Miss Sun On, aged fifteen, will enter a preparatory school to fit them for a university education later on. All of the party, including the young bride, are American born, all natives of Honolulu.

Sun visited California last August. He returned to the home of the Sun family in Honolulu and in January joined his father at Shanghai, China. Last month he sailed for Honolulu on the liner Shinyo Maru and upon arrival there became a Benedict. With his bride and two sisters he boarded the next steamer, the Siberia, arriving here a few days ago.

CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

EDMONTON, Alta., Aug. 10.—Beginning today with the formal reception of the visitors, this city for the next four or five days will be the central point for medical men all over the Dominion. The occasion is the annual convention of the Canadian Medical Association. Dr. H. G. Macklin, of Calgary, is president of the association and will occupy the chair at the general sessions. Dr. Arthur E. Giles, a noted surgeon of London, England, is to deliver the annual address on Surgery, and Dr. A. D. Blackader of Montreal will deliver the address on Medicine. The subjects which will be brought before the general sessions and sectional conferences, while largely technical, are of considerable importance to the medical world. Much interest is manifested in the proposal to inaugurate a new system of medical registration, whereby the old provincial registration will be abolished and replaced by one embracing the whole Dominion.

BULGARIA CELEBRATES KING'S ANNIVERSARY

Ferdinand I Rounded Out Quarter of Century of Remarkable Rule

VIENNA, Aug. 10.—Tomorrow Ferdinand I. will round out a quarter of a century as ruler of Bulgaria. The anniversary recalls much that is of interest. It also serves to show that political prophecies often go wide of the mark.

Twenty-five years ago, last month, there came to Vienna a Bulgarian statesman, M. Stouloff, envoy of Stamboul, the dictator. Stouloff was searching for a prince who would deign to accept the Bulgarian crown. The offer was not very tempting. The fate that befell the unhappy Alexander of Battenberg, the first prince of Bulgaria, made it hard to find his successor.

After several princes had been approached without success, Stamboul and Stouloff thought of the Coburgs, who had already furnished several kings. So Stouloff journeyed to Ebnthal, near Vienna, and appealed to the youngest, cleverest, and most attractive of the Coburgs, Prince Ferdinand, his mother, Princess Clementine, was a daughter of Louis Philippe. Ferdinand was a nephew of the king of the Belgians and related to the queens of England and Portugal.

Prince Ferdinand was then twenty-six. He was well aware of the dangers his acceptance would involve. But he saw in young Bulgaria an enormous force, which, if he could direct and control it, might work miracles. He had faith in the people and faith in himself. He accepted, and on August 11, 1887, he assumed the reins of government.

The young prince had an uphill fight. The confirmation of his selection by the powers and of his election by the Bulgarian national assembly was only secured from the ports after the most humiliating restrictions had been placed upon him. It was the understanding that he was to remain permanently in the principality and that the state of his country—religion, education, finance, defense, industry and commerce—must be periodically scrutinized by the ministry at the Yildiz Kiosk.

Nominally a vassal of Turkey, in reality Bulgaria was dominated by Russia, while Austria and the other powers watched with a jealous eye and stood ready to stir up trouble at any moment. The foreign relations of the struggling principality were bad enough, but the condition of affairs at home was even worse. Rival factions disputed the government, the army was torn with dissensions, and nothing but the iron rule of Stamboul prevented the country's ruin.

Such was Bulgaria in 1887, when Ferdinand arrived. And what marvelous changes twenty-five years under his rulership have brought about. At the start, unrecognized by any of the powers of Europe, treated as a usurper, laughed at and hated, he achieved the recognition of all the powers, and with it their respect. Today Ferdinand is recognized everywhere, received with royal honors in all the capitals of Europe; his realm has become the most prosperous and most powerful of the Balkan States; it has proudly broken the last ties that bound it to Turkey; it has civilized, modernized and improved its system of government; the country is covered with roads and railways; it has a thrifty, industrious population and a brilliant capital; everywhere are to be seen magnificent military buildings, for the backbone of Bulgaria is her army which is the best disciplined in the Balkans.

LAUD DRINK QUEEN INVENTS

Widow of King Edward Upsets Tradition in Britain.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—Nobody credits the Englishman, not even the Englishman himself, with being anything like an adept in the art of "mixing drinks," and there are few so-called American bartenders in London where an American bar will risk asking for a second cocktail. London hostesses, however, have a perfect craze for inventing new "drinks" for hot weather drinking. But those who know say that the best of all is dispensed at Marlborough House and is the sole invention of Queen Alexandra.

It is a delicious concoction made of the juice of crushed peaches and oranges used in equal parts; a few slices of cucumber are added, sugar to taste and a faint suspicion of ginger. The mixture is mellowed with marmalade before being placed on ice.

King Edward once devised a new "cup," but he never parted with the secret, while King Alfonso has a celebrated concoction, "the nonpareil," to which his visitors are very partial. Connoisseurs aver, however, that no kind of "brew" comes up to that of Queen Alexandra, which they have decided to call "The Elixer of Life."

ART TEACHERS MEET IN DRESDEN

DRESDEN, Aug. 10.—Ernest A. Hatcher, of Leland Stanford University, John S. Ankeny of the University of Missouri and James T. Smith of the University of California, are delegates to the United States at the international congress of art teachers, which is to convene in Dresden tomorrow for a week's session.

Noah's Struggle.

It was only with the utmost difficulty that Noah was able to control himself, as the two mosquitoes of the ark waxed red and corpulent on the back of his hand, gorging themselves to repletion. "If it wasn't for the grudge I have against my posterity," he rasped through his clenched teeth, "I'd smash your infernal carcasses!"—Puck.

New York's Greatest Borough.

Manhattan, one of the five boroughs comprising greater New York and its most important borough, is approximately fifteen miles in length, from the Battery to the city line, and about five miles at its greatest width. Its frontage on the water, together with the shipping facilities of the entire city, is 444 miles, or equal to the distance between the city and Buffalo on Lake Erie.

Ozar Ferdinand, as he has been known since Bulgaria achieved her complete independence five years ago, is in person a handsome, soldierly man, bearded and always well groomed. He is not only an earnest student, with a special leaning toward botany and ornithology, but also a man of highly cultivated taste. He has made a complete study of the difficult language and the history of his people and is a great stickler for the ceremonies of his court.

Five years after he accepted the Bulgarian crown Ferdinand married Marie Louise of the Bourbon family of Parma, a woman of noble character, who died six years later, endeared in the hearts of the people, leaving four children, two princes and two princesses, the first royal children born on Bulgarian soil in 100 years. Prince Boris the heir to the throne, is in his nineteenth year. He has received an excellent education and is said to possess many of the strong qualities that have helped his father to success. In 1908, about ten years after the loss of his first wife, Ferdinand was married to Princess Eleonore of Reuss, a lady of about his own age.

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Tax Bills Proposing a Bonus to Increase Population Being Fought

PLAN FOR CHILD PENSION

Many Citizens Oppose Measures on Ground of the Moral Effect

SYDNEY, Aug. 10.—Australia is in a ferment over the federal taxation proposals, not only because of the terrific increase in the amount of the tolls, but because of the moral effect of the propositions.

Tacked to a bill providing pensions for children until they are more than 15 years old is a bonus of £5 for every child born in Australia, and the percentage will not be inquired into.

Australia is greatly desirous of increasing its population, especially its native stock. Immigration except of the highest sort is not encouraged, but this effort which will be made by the federal authorities at the session of the parliament recently convened has brought a storm of protest from all sources.

All sorts of charges are being made against the government and against the interests which are seen behind the move to grant a pension to children and a bonus for every child born.

See Woman Suffrage Move. Telegrams are being published by the Sydney Herald from Melbourne, where the center of opposition is, that the bonus for babies is a cunningly devised scheme of the militant suffragette to get votes for women in the commonwealth.

Others charge the labor party with responsibility for the proposals, and this accusation has started over again the fight against that organization's "poisonous pension policy" by its enemies.

From all sides the cry is raised that such a bill if it became a law would be unconstitutional.

The Victorian premier has issued a statement that the federal taxation proposals will levy £5 a head on the population after the pension bill for children is passed. There will be a bitter fight in parliament over these proposals, but the government and the labor party are strongest and there seems no doubt they will have their way.

The papers are publishing cartoons likening the opening of parliament to the republican convention in Chicago, accounts of which were cabled here.

Try to Colonize Land.

Conditions of population have been warring the Australian government officials for some time, and they have taken steps to encourage the proper kind of citizens to come from other countries to settle on outlying farming land. This has failed to bring in the numbers desired, and recourse is now to be taken in the act of the federal parliament by the bonus for children.

No provisions have been made so far for the pensioning of the mothers of the children, and owing to the peculiar wording of the proposed law in not putting any restrictions on the birth of a baby scores of children to be born seem likely to be the storm centers, with £5 as the goal.

Reports have come from some of the public and charity hospitals that they will claim the bonus as recompense for their trouble in carrying for waifs.

Call it Wildcat Pension.

In many communities the residents are not in a position to stand the added assessment which these pensions will mean, owing to their bad investment several years ago in wildcat mining schemes. Bitter at the loss of that money, and still more so at the government for its proposal of the present session, they are beginning to apply that word "wildcat" to the pension bills.

If the government insists on putting its pension schemes through the opposition in parliament will retaliate by a campaign for greater federal control of corporations, declaring that if the federal inspectors, had more power over companies the public would not lose so much of its money, so often.

There is no inspector of public corporations in New South Wales, and a man may start a bank or an insurance company without depositing in the state treasury any amount as a surety of his solidity.

The one thing which is causing peace in the hearts of the Australians is the fact that the long drought has been broken. Bountiful rains have been falling in almost all of the afflicted districts and the grass is growing rapidly. Several million sheep were lost during the worst part of the dry spell and their price fell very low.

Had not the rain come at this time farmers would have been without winter fodder. As it is the barley and oats crops have been greatly damaged. This drought aroused the irrigationists to renewed activity. Recently a party of California experts came to the country to look over the situation in regard to colonization prospects.